(b) what are the investments provided under the IRDP during the current from plan period;

(c) whether any assessment has been made of the developments that resulted from the programme in the rural areas;

(d) if so. what is the, outcome thereof; **and**

(e) whether it is proposed to increasj the investments under IRDP?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY); (a) and (b) The sector-wise and programme-wise plan allocation for Seventh Plan is made on the basis ot availability of resources and priorities. The total allocation for Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) in Seventh Plan is Rs.: 2358.81 crores. Term credit Of the order of Rs. 4000.00 crores is likely to be generated.

(c) and (d) The impact of the pro gramme has been evaluated through vari ous Research Studies and also through monthly Concurrent Evaluation studies initiated 'since October, 1985. According to Concurrent Envaluation Study of January —December, 1987, about 13 per cent old families crossed the revised poverty line of Rs. 6400|- and about 60 per cent old beneficiaries crossed the poverty Iine of Rs. 3500. The assets generated incremen tal income of more than Rs. 2000|. *fc* 26 per cent cases and between Rs. 1001 ____ Rs. 2000 in 24 per cent cases and between Rs". 5011—Rs. 1000 in 17 per cent cases. It was upto Rs. 500 in 10 per cent case

(e) During the first four years of Se-venth Plan, against the Central share of allocation of Rs. 1186.79 crores, an amo unt of Rs. 1173.71 crores is anticipated to be utilised

Going by above trend, it is expected that investment under IRDP in the Seventh Plan period (1985—90) will be much higher than the allocation originally envisaged.

**Study of Wage Structure of mine workers**

1821. SHRI P. N. SUKUL: Will the ^ Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the wage structure of the labourers engaged in mining operations has been studied recently keeping in view of the rising cost of living and the risks involved in their work;

(b) whether it is proposed to improve their minimum wages; and

(c) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI BINDESHWARI DUBEY): (a) The Labour Bureau has conducted Occupationai Wage Survey in Coal, Tron-ore, Manganese, Mica and Oil Mines.

(b) and (c) The Ministry of Labour has issued a notification dated 25-10-1988 revising the rates of minimum wages in the scheduled mining employments. The details of these rates are given in the Statement enclosed *(See* below).

Statements

*Revsed rates of wages incheduled mining employments from* 25-10-1988.

*Revised wages at* CPI-753 (12 *monthly CPI average in June,* 1938).

| | Above Ground | Below Ground |
|---|---|---|
| Unskilled | Rs. 1530 | Rs. 1845 |
| Semi-skilled | 19.05 | 22.85 |
| Skilled . | 23.75 | 28.15 |
| Clerical | 23.75 | |

*Rate of special allowance for every 4 points rise or fall in CP1 Number beyond* **753** ***for*** *Industrial Workers to be adjusted on half yearly basis in October and April.*

| | Above ground | Below ground |
|---|---|---|
| Unskilled | 8 paise | 10 paise |
| Semi-skilled | 10 | 12 |
| Skilled/Clerical | 12 | 15 |

**Plant Protection Umbrella in Haryana**

1822. SHRI SHAMIM HASHMI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleas-ed to state:

(a) whether Haryana has devised a plant protection umbrella as reported in the Economic Times' of the 20th October, 1988; and

(b) whether it is based on Integrated Pest Management and Biological Control technology now fully developed in India and elsewhere which reduces danger posed by chemical pesticides in respect of resis tance amongst vectors and pests occupa tional health hazards and pesticide poison ing etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU); (a) The Government of Haryana has reported that no specific new strategy has been devised for the current year, plant protection measures constitute a continuing activity of the State Government.

(b) Integrated Pest Management including biological control is being popularised in Haryana to reduce the side effects of chemical pesticides.

**Atrocities on Nath Community**

1S23. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: SHRI N. E. BALARAM: SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will tbe Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the houses of 45 families belonging to the Nath Community were burnt on 21-8-88 and 11-9-88 in Assam Zilelao Village in Pali District of Rajasthan allegedly by Rawat Rajputs;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken to arrest persons found responsible for this and what action has been taken against them; and

(d) the steps being taken to provide security to these families.

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE SHRIMATI SUMATI ORAON): (a) to (d) The information will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Import of Pesticides for Cotton Heliothis Pest**

1824. SHRI SHAMIM HASHMI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether imports of four new pesticides has been permitted for cotton Helio-thi$_s$ pest and if so, the detail$_s$ thereof indicating the loss as appeared in the 'News-time' of the 27th October, 1988;

(b) whether these four chemicals have been field tested by ICAR or CIL before clearance and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether thes$_e$ four chemicals are already registered in India after requisite tests and formalities as per the Act;

(d) whether Government had obtained authentic official reports from Govern-